

## ABSTRACT

Disclosed herein is a system and method for communicating data from a base computer to a remote device via a central server system without the necessity of specialty software on the remote device. Remote devices such as laptop computers and cellular telephones communicate with the central server system, while the central server system likewise communicates with base computers. Communications between the central server system and the base computers are facilitated by an intermittent query from base computers to the central server system in a manner which allows communication even in a firewall-constrained environment. The system and method provides a means for facilitating both persistent connections and dialup communications between the base computers and the central server system.